

In the claims:

1. (Original) A packaging for a premium item comprising three layers of a material, each of an equal thickness, a first layer and a second layer being laminated to one another and having co-terminal peripheries, wherein the second layer has at least one portion thereof removed for defining a void inside the packaging for receiving the premium item, the third layer being laminated to the opposite side of the second layer to the first layer, wherein the packaging is a snap-apart packaging having partial cut lines to allow a first section of the packaging to be snapped away from the second section of the packing to provide access to the void.
2. (Original) The packaging of claim 1, wherein the third layer has a co-terminal periphery to the first and second layers.
3. (Previously Presented) The packing of claim 1, wherein the materials are food-safe materials.
4. (Previously Presented) The packaging of claim 1, wherein the removed portion is a central portion.
5. (Previously Presented) The packaging of, claim 1, wherein the partial cut lines extend across the width of the packaging.
6. (Previously Presented) The packaging of claim 1, wherein a premium item is sealed within the void of the packaging.
7. (Previously Presented) The packaging of claim 1, wherein a section of the first or the third layer is not initially laminated to the second layer, the section defining a foldable flap.
8. (Original) The packaging of claim 7, wherein the fold is bounded by a fold line extending across the width of the packaging.
9. (Previously Presented) The packaging of claim 1 wherein cuts for defining a snap-apart section are provided by two co-planar outer cuts, in or

immediately adjacent to the side edges of the packaging, the cuts extending through the three layers of the packaging, and a third cut, just in the first and third layers substantially bridging the gap between the two outer cuts.

10. (Original) The packaging of claim 9, wherein the cuts are perforations.
11. (Previously Presented) The packaging of claim 1, wherein the first or the third layer comprises a wall of a cardboard packaging, the first and second layers being attached to the inside of the wall of the cardboard packaging to form the packaging within the cardboard packaging.
12. (Previously Presented) The packaging of claim 1, wherein the second layer has a gap provided in one of its edge portions extending from the edge to the removed portion.
13. (Original) The packaging of claim 12, wherein the gap is tapered.
14. (Previously Presented) The packaging of claim 1, wherein the first or the third layer comprises at least one perforated portion that overlies the removed portion of the second layer.
15. (Original) The packaging of claim 14, wherein the perforated portion is printed.
16. (Previously Presented) The packaging of claim 1, wherein the first or third layer has a thumb-sized cut-out provided in an edge thereof.
17. (Previously Presented) The packaging of claim 1, wherein the first or third layer has an aperture provided therein for accessing the void.
18. (Withdrawn) A method of packaging a premium item comprising the steps of providing three layers of material for laminating over each other, removing at least a portion of the middle one of the three layers, and laminating the three layers together to create a packaging having a void in the middle thereof defined by the portion of the middle layer that was

- removed; wherein the three layers are provided as a single blank and the blank is folded to position the three layers on top of one another.
19. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 18, comprising the step of applying a bonding agent to at least one of the layers such that the middle layer can be bonded to the other two layers between the two other layers.
 20. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 18, wherein a portion of the periphery of the packaging is initially unglued to provide an access point for insertion of a premium item into the void of the packaging defined by the removed portion of the middle layer.
 21. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 20, further comprising the steps of inserting a premium item into the void and, once inserted, gluing the unglued portion shut.
 22. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 18, wherein an edge portion of the middle layer is cut away down to the removed portion to form a gap.
 23. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 18, wherein the packaging formed is in accordance with any one of claims 1 to 16.
 24. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 18, wherein a plurality of packagings are formed from the blank.
 25. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 18, comprising the step of cutting the or each packaging out of the folded blank.
 26. (Currently Amended) A blank for forming a packaging for premium item having three layers of a material, each of an equal thickness, a first layer and a second layer being laminated to one another and having co-terminate peripheries according to any one of claims 1 to 17 claim 1 the blank being of substantially constant thickness and pre-cut with an aperture [apertures] in the portion corresponding to the second layer, for

defining a void inside the packaging for receiving the premium item.

[corresponding to the removed portions of the middle layer.]

27. (Original) The blank of claim 26, for forming a snap-apart packaging, the packaging having partial cut lines extending across the width of the packaging to allow a first section of the packaging to be snapped away from the second section of the packaging, the blank comprising cuts corresponding to the cuts in the packaging.